



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
PAY-AS-YOU-GO ESTIMATE**

May 15, 2002

H.R. 1840

An act to extend eligibility for refugee status of unmarried sons and daughters of certain Vietnamese refugees

As cleared by the Congress on May 10, 2002

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 1840 would result in no significant cost to the federal government. Until September 30, 2001, unmarried adult children of certain Vietnamese nationals were eligible for admission to the United States as refugees of special humanitarian concern. H.R. 1840 would renew their eligibility through the end of fiscal year 2003. Enacting the legislation would lead to an increase in refugee admissions, which would increase administrative costs to the Immigration and Naturalization Service and increase spending for certain benefit programs. However, CBO expects the act would aid no more than 1,000 persons annually, so any increases in direct spending would not be significant.

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